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Synopsis of International Comic Cartoon Release entitled
"Happy Hooligan" in "Fatherly Love":

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Suggested by Phil C. Nolan

The opening scene shows Happy Hooligan and his brother Gus attending their father who is ill. It is apparant that the boys are impatient to see the old man die that they might inherit his supposed wealth. During his illness the old man repeatedly calls for a change of shoes which makes it clear that he had a hobby or mania for accumulating a large selection of shoes.

The old man finally dies and the boys immediately sell his old clothes and shoes to a second hand dealer. They then rush into the house and open the safe but finding it empty excitedly exclaim "Where is his dough". They consult the ouija board and while doing so a vision of the old man appears and says "The secret of my hidden treasure is under the heel of one of my old shoes". It dawns on them that they have sold ~~them~~ all of their father's old shoes, so they hurry off to the second hand dealer who tells them that he too has already sold them again.

They now hurry off to the neighborhood in which the old shoes were sold and Happy crawls along the back fences immitating a cat. Immediately the windows open and a barrage of shoes are thrown at Hooligan and rappidly put into a bag by Happy's brother Gus. They now hurry home and search all the old shoes until they finally discover the secret under one of the heels. It reads to the effect that the elder Hooligan's treasrare is hidden six paces east of the old oak tree. They hurry off and finding the spot dig furiously for the treasure. After digging many hours they are rewarded by striking a large iron chest which they open by exploding a bomb. They are amazed in the end to find that the box contained nothing but old shoes.

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